

Abbots Langley Parish Council

Minutes of the Planning & Highways Committee Meeting held at 7.30 p.m. on Wednesday 27th February 2013 in the Council Offices, Langley Road, Abbots Langley.

Those present:

Chairman: Councillor D J Major

Councillors: Councillor Mrs J Bowman
Councillor O W Roe

Officers: Janet Pearce - Planning and Meetings Officer

The meeting opened at 7:30 pm.

421. Apologies for absence

Apologies were received, accepted and recorded from Councillor Sara Bedford (other commitment), Councillor Derryck Croker (other commitment) and Councillor Keith Williams (unavailable).

422. Declarations of interest

There were no declarations of interest.

423. Public participation

No members of the public had expressed an interest in addressing the committee.

424. Planning Decisions from Three Rivers District Council

Planning decisions, as attached at Appendix A1, were noted by Members present.

425. Planning Applications as received from Three Rivers District Council

Members discussed the Planning applications list and **RESOLVED** the comments to be submitted to the District Council as attached at Appendix B1.

426. Consultations

Streamlining the Planning Application Process:

After his examination of the document, Councillor Owen Roe reported to the committee who discussed and agreed their responses to be submitted to the Department for Communities and Local Government. They were generally in favour of the proposals but in the interest of transparency felt the summary of reasons for approval and relevant policies should not be removed from written decision notices.

427. Highways and Transport Matters

Members noted the Order to prohibit traffic from using Bedmond Lane/St Albans and St Albans Lane/Sergehill Lane, Bedmond to enable carriageway resurfacing works to take place for approximately three days during the period 14th March to 14th April 2013.

428. Appeals

Members noted the appeal against refusal of planning permission: Land at Hill Farm Close, Abbots Langley - Erection of 12 affordable housing units (6 houses and 6 flats), play area and open space with associated access, landscaping and parking 12/1832/FUL. DoE Appeal ref: APP/P1940/A/13/2192254/NWF.

429. Correspondence

Member discussed the correspondence received regarding traffic and safety issues in High Street, Abbots Langley and agreed on the reply to be sent. They are aware of the problems which have been raised on many previous occasions and continue to be of concern.

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The meeting closed at 8.40 pm.

Signed: _____

Dated: _____

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Planning applications decided by Three Rivers District Council Reported on 27th February 2013

Appendix A1

1. 12/2299/FUL ALPC meeting 09/01/2013
St. Catherine of Siena RC School Horseshoe Lane Watford WD25 7HP - Single storey extension to existing school hall to provide additional space for assembly / an indoor play area and two storey extension to accommodate group areas with associated internal and external alterations for Mrs Pauline Curran.
ALPC Comment: No objection.
TRDC Decision: Approved
2. 12/2345/FUL ALPC meeting 09/01/2013
4 Numbers Farm Egg Farm Lane Kings Langley Hertfordshire WD4 8LS - Two storey rear extension for Dr Iain Anderson And Mrs Elva Ainsworth.
ALPC Comment: No objection.
TRDC Decision: Approved
3. 12/2329/FUL ALPC meeting 09/01/2013
5 Numbers Farm Egg Farm Lane Kings Langley Hertfordshire WD4 8LS - Two storey rear extension for Mr N Rice.
ALPC Comment: No objection.
TRDC Decision: Approved
4. 12/2289/FUL ALPC meeting 09/01/2013
Langleybury Cricket Club Langleybury Lane Langleybury Hertfordshire - Installation of a 2 lane non-turf practice facility and perimeter security fence at Langleybury Cricket Club to replace current 2 lane non-turf practice facility currently on site for Mr David Anderson.
ALPC Comment: No objection.
TRDC Decision: Approved
5. 12/2397/ADV ALPC meeting 09/01/2013
The Swan Public House College Road Abbots Langley Hertfordshire WD5 0NR - Advertisement Consent: Replacement sign in a new position - externally illuminated by a caged LED floor mounted floodlights to either side for Green King PLC.
ALPC Comment: Members agreed the proposed sign is out of keeping and changes the character of the public house.
TRDC Decision: Approved
6. 12/2392/FUL ALPC meeting 09/01/2013
99 Abbots Road Abbots Langley Hertfordshire WD5 0BJ - Erection of front porch for Mr K Jones.
ALPC Comment: No objection.
TRDC Decision: Approved

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7. 12/2399/PDNA

ALPC meeting 23/01/2013

Berry Bushes Farm Langleybury Lane Langleybury Kings Langley Hertfordshire WD4 8RW - Permitted Development Notice Agriculture: Erection of general purpose agricultural store for Mr Alan Crawley.

ALPC Comment: No objection.

TRDC Decision: Approved

8. 12/2385/RSP

ALPC meeting 23/01/2013

Land Rear Of 70B Station Road Kings Langley Hertfordshire - Retrospective: Erection of a covered timber outbuilding for storage purposes (request for 2 year temporary consent) for Mr William Gerrard.

ALPC Comment: No objection.

TRDC Decision: Withdrawn

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Planning applications considered on 27th February 2013

Appendix B1

1. 13/0204/FUL Valid date: 13/02/2013
50 Adrian Road Abbots Langley Hertfordshire WD5 0AQ - Erection of two semi-detached houses and one detached dwelling including basement with parking and associated works for Ms Sarah Murray.
Despite permission being given to the earlier application 11/2633/FUL members still object to this contrived and cramped backland development. They are concerned that providing second floor loft rooms must not increase the height and that the roof windows will not overlook the adjoining properties.
2. 13/0205/FUL Valid date: 13/02/2013
63 Bucknalls Lane Garston Watford Hertfordshire WD25 9NE - Single storey front and side garage extension, rear extension, conversion of existing garage to habitable accommodation, alterations to existing side extension walls and roof for Mr Warren Surin.
No objection.
3. 13/0189/FUL Valid date: 19/02/2013
Waterdell Farm Cottage Chequers Lane Abbots Langley Watford Hertfordshire WD25 0GW - Demolition of existing unstable roadside wall and construction of a new block construction wall with boarded timber panel fence to outside for Miss E A Wilcox.
As this property falls within the green belt members would prefer the wall to be rebuilt using the existing bricks where possible and not the boarded timber panel fence proposed.
4. 13/0191/FUL Valid date: 19/02/2013
198 Abbots Road Abbots Langley Hertfordshire WD5 0BP - Two storey and single storey rear extension and replacement of flat roof to existing single storey rear extension with new shallow pitched roof for Mr Richard Gabriel.
No objection.